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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES TO BELORUSSIAN HOSTS

PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGES TO MFA FOR TRANSMITTAL
TO PRESIDENT'S THREE MAIN HOSTS DURING VISIT TO MINSK:

1. QUOTE.

MR. PETER M. MASHEROV

FIRST SECRETARY

CENTRAL COMMITTEE

COMMUNIST PARTY OF BELORUSSIA

DEAR MR. MASHEROV:

I WANT TO THANK YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES FOR THE WARM
HOSPITALITY EXTENDED US DURING OUR VISIT TO THE BELO-
RUSSIAN REPUBLIC. I ENJOYED HEARING FROM YOU ABOUT THE
PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE BELORUSSIAN PEOPLE, AND
WAS IMPRESSED WITH YOUR CAPITAL, THE HERO CITY OF MINSK.

MY FIRST VISIT TO MINSK COINCIDED WITH THE 30TH ANNI-
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VERSARY OF ITS LIBERATION DURING WORLD WAR II. THIS

EVENT, AND MY VISIT TO THE KHATYN MEMORIAL, IMPRESSED
UPON ME THE COMPELLING NECESSITY FOR TODAY'S LEADERS
TO ASSURE THAT SUCH TRAGEDIES DO NOT AGAIN AFFLICT
MANKIND.

I LOOK FORWARD SOME DAY TO REPAYING THE FRIENDLY
HOSPITALITY YOU EXTENDED US IN MINSK.
SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON END QUOTE.

2. QUOTE.

MR. FEDOR A. SURGANOV
CHAIRMAN, PRESIDUM
BELORUSSIAN SUPREME SOVIET

DEAR MR. SURGANOV:

I WANT TO THANK YOU PERSONALLY FOR THE WARM HOSPITALITY
WHICH YOU EXTENDED ME DURING MY FIRST VISIT TO THE BELO-
RUSSIAN REPUBLIC AND ITS CAPITAL, THE HERO CITY OF MINSK.

I REMEMBER WELL THE TOASTS WE EXCHANGED AT THE CORDIAL
LUNCHEON THE BELORUSSIAN AUTHORITIES GAVE FOR ME AT THE
GOVERNMENT GUEST HOUSE. MAY I REAFFIRM OUR JOINT HOPE
THAT WE ARE PROGRESSING STEADILY TOWARD A WORLD OF
PEACE AND PROSPERITY, AND WISH THE BELORUSSIAN PEOPLE
FURTHER SUCCESSES IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON END QUOTE.

3. QUOTE.

MR. TIKHON YA. KISELEV
CHAIRMAN
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
BELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

DEAR MR. KISELEV:

I WANT TO THANK YOU PERSONALLY FOR THE KIND HOSPITALITY
EXTENDED ME DURING MY FIRST VISIT TO THE BELORUSSIAN
REPUBLIC. IT WAS A PLEASURE FOR ME TO WITNESS FIRST
HAND THE PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE BELORUSSIAN
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PEOPLE. MAY I WISH YOU FURTHER SUCCESSES IN YOUR
EFFORTS TO BUILD A BETTER LIFE FOR THE PEOPLE OF BELO-
RUSSIA IN A WORLD OF PEACE AND STABILITY.
SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON END QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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